

REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

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	Application Number	10/688,914
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	First Named Inventor	Bong-Ki KIM
	Group Art Unit	1745
	Examiner Name	Gregg Cantelmo

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$0.00 FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 12/08/04) **CLAIMS AS** Claims Remaining **Highest Number** Number AMENDED After Amendment Previously Paid For Extra Rate Calculations TOTAL CLAIMS X \$50.00 =\$ 0.00 14 20 = 0 INDEPENDENT 3 = \$ 0 X \$200.00 =0.00 2 **CLAIMS** Since an Official Action set an original due date of July 19, 2006, petition is hereby made for an \$ extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$120)); (2 months (\$450)); (3 months (\$1,020)); (4 months (\$1,590)); (5 months (\$2,160): If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$500.00) \$ If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$130.00) \$ Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00) \$ Total of above Calculations = \$ 0.00 \$ Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28) \$ TOTAL FEES DUE = 0.00 (1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0". (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20". (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0". (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3". METHOD OF PAYMENT Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below. M No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date). **GENERAL AUTHORIZATION** X If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to: Deposit Account No. 503333 STEIN, MCEWEN & **Deposit Account Name** BUI, LLP \boxtimes The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application. SUBMITTED BY: STEIN, MCEWEN & BUI, LLP Typed Name Howard I. Levy Reg. No. 55,378 Signature Date



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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Bong-Ki KIM

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For:

SECONDARY BATTERY INCLUDING IMPROVED CAP ASSEMBLY AND METHOD OF

MANUFACTURING THE CAP ASSEMBLY

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed June 19, 2006, having a shortened period for response set to expire on July 19, 2006, the following remarks are provided.

I. Provisional Election of Claims Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.142

Applicants provisionally elect **group I**, **including claims 1-14**, in response to the preliminary restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action.

II. Applicants Traverse the Requirement

Insofar as Group II is concerned, it is believed that claims 15-20 are so closely related to elected claims 1-14 that they should remain in the same application. The elected claims 1-14 are directed to a cap assembly and a secondary battery and claims 15-20 are drawn to a method of manufacturing a cap assembly. There have been no references cited to show any necessity for requiring restriction and, in fact, it is believed that the Examiner would find references containing both method and apparatus claims in the same field of technology.

MPEP §803 sets forth the criteria for restriction between patentably distinct inventions. (A) indicates that the inventions must be independent (see MPEP §802.01, §806.04, §808.01) or distinct as claimed (see MPEP §806.05-806.05(i)); and (B) indicates that there must be a serious